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PROBABLE MISSILE-RELATED ACTIVITY  
IN CARPATHIAN MILITARY DISTRICT, USSR

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Photography of [REDACTED] reveals the expansion of a road and rail-served artillery garrison in Uzhgorod, USSR (48-49N 22-17E). This expansion (see Figure 1, item 1) probably began about 1958, since the area was reported to contain new barracks at that time. 1/ Additional construction appeared to be in progress in the area at the time of the photography. Another garrison on the north side of Uzhgorod (item 2)



FIGURE 1. UZHGOROD AREA. The red overprint on this [REDACTED] photograph shows the expansion of military facilities since then.

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FIGURE 2. MANEUVER AREA 6NM EAST OF UZHGOROD. This area was active at the time of the photography

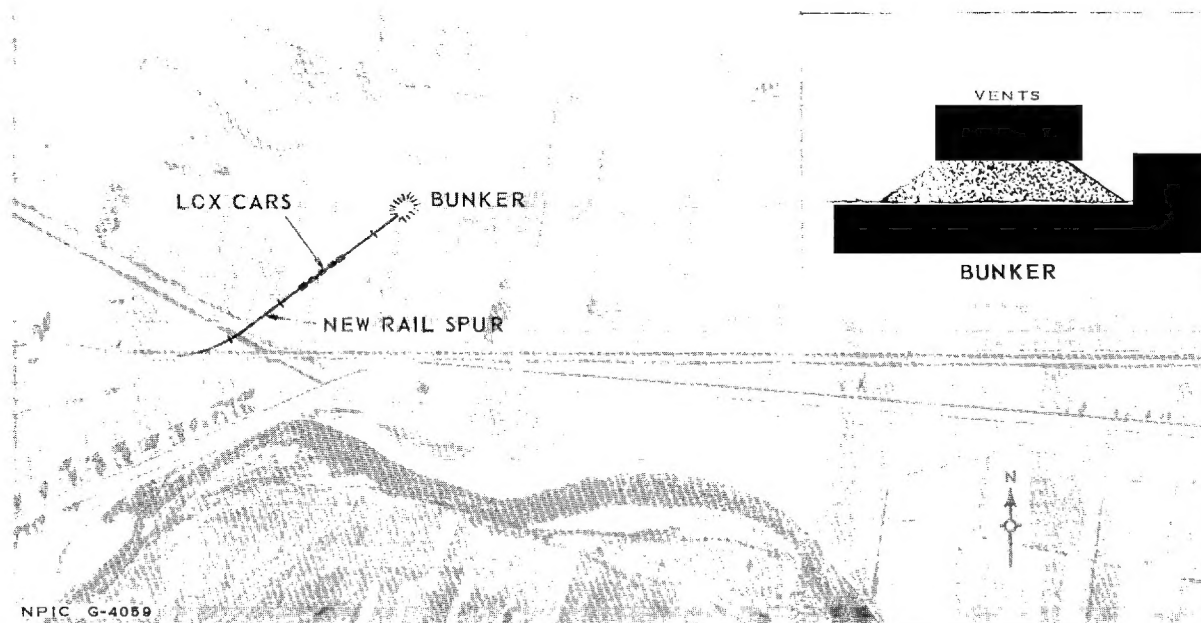
has been expanded since [REDACTED] photography. In addition to the two garrisons, a tank unit, a mechanized unit, and a signal unit are reported to be located in Uzhgorod. 1/

An explosives-storage area 3 nm southeast of Uzhgorod (see Figure 1, item 3) has been expanded since the [REDACTED] photography. And additional security has been provided for in the form of forest clearings around the perimeter of the area. A large maneuver area 6 nm east of the town is active (see Figure 2).

There have been numerous reports of liquid-oxygen (LOX) rail cars in the Uzhgorod-Svalyava-Mukachevo area. LOX cars were observed on eight occasions and photographed from the ground in 1961 on a rail spur

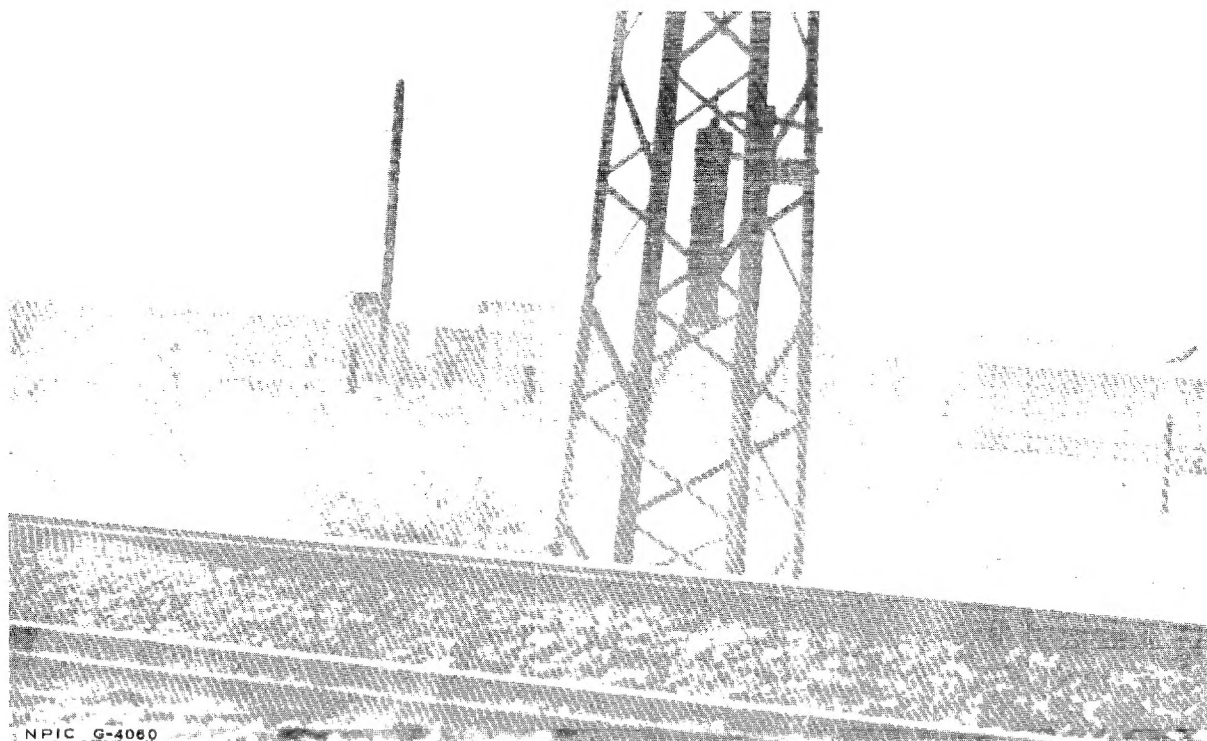
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FIGURE 3. RAIL SPUR 6 KM EAST OF MUKACHEVO. The spur is new since the photograph, used here as a base.



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FIGURE 4. LOX CARS ON SPUR NEAR MUKACHEVO

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near Mukachevo, 20 nm southeast of Uzhgorod (see Figures 3 and 4). 2/,  
3/ (In [REDACTED] no rail spur or activity was present. The Mukachevo area is  
under heavy clouds on the [REDACTED] photography.)

The presence of LOX cars, coupled with the military expansion, suggests that the Soviets may have deployed a surface-to-surface missile unit or units in the Uzhgorod-Mukachevo area, although no suspect launch sites could be located on the photography. From this area the Soviets could reach most major targets in Europe with their present operational medium-range missiles.

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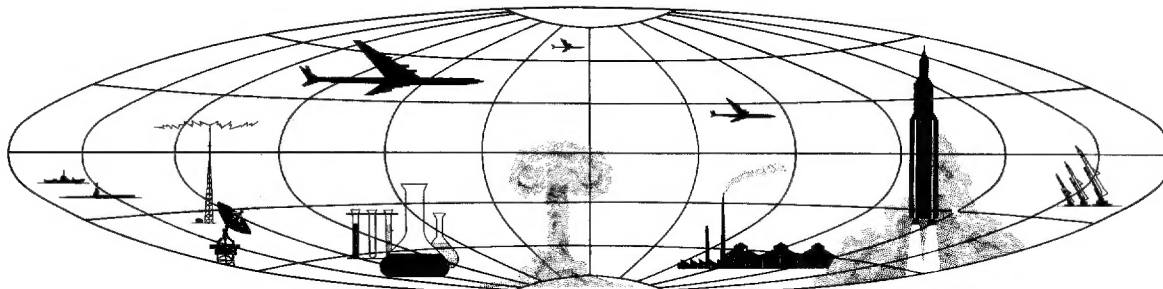
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